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In re Letters Patent of:  
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Patent No.: 6,824,973 B2

Issued: November 30, 2004

For: METHOD OF PROMOTING STEM CELL  
PROLIFERATION OR SURVIVAL BY  
CONTACTING A CELL WITH A CELL  
FACTOR-LIKE POLYPEPTIDE

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Errors in the patent can be verified by reference to the application as follows:

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Some of the errors were found in the application as filed by the Applicant.

Our check in the amount of \$100.00 covering the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.20(a) is enclosed.

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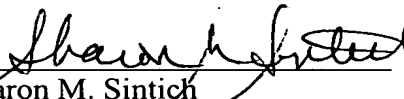
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